

To the State Electoral Commissioner

I fully realise that you are bound, by the Laws of the State, even though these Laws are contrary to the principal of the Australian Constitution, which gave each and every State, the same numbers of members in the Senate [Legislative Council], these changes to the West Australian Electoral System, has done just that, in Western Australia, brought in by an inept, unthinking group of persons, from the Labor Party, an example, from one of their most thoughtless members, promoted to a Minister, "Farmers will have to apply for a license to use water from a Dam, Water for live stock, used to provide meat for the People of this State and to grow fruit and vegetables, for those People" but those who put a Water tank on their city blocks, will receive a monetary gift from the same Government and I presume will not have to pay a fee to use that water.

That is just one example, of this government's, take from the Rural community and give to the City. The Rural Community supplies the Metropolitan area with, their food, Water [while some dams may be in the Metro area, there are no Water catchment for those dams in the Metro area] 90% of their Electricity comes from the Rural Area as well as most of their money comes from Rural Areas.

Commissioner I urge you to ensure as far as possible, that the rural community, has the opportunity to, if not to control the Legislative Council, at least to have a

major input to the way this State is governed.

Personally, I would divide the State into Metropolitan and Rural, with half the electorates, in both Assembly and Council, one major reason is, access to your Parliamentary Representative, Western Australia is 2,525,500 Sq klms, the Metro area, the Metro Area is less than 500 sq klms, in my own case, at present my representative is in Northam the largest Town in the Avon Electorate and reasonable central so is Beverley but it is still a 140 klm round trip to have a face to face with my representative. If I were to leave Parliament House and drive a circuit of 140 klm, around the Metro area, back to Parliament House, enroute I could visit most of the offices of those representatives, in the Metro area, so much for One vote One value

I know that you will do your very best, to obey the law and do a good job and that what ever the outcome, you will have many detractors, my answer would be, " there is a map of the State, the population figures, so do it better or shut up !! if it were me, in your position, I would go on leave, until it settled down a bit.

I wish you good luck and good health.

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